

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 98-250-E - ORDER NO. 98-739
SEPTEMBER 25, 1998

IN RE: Request of Carolina Power & Light Company) ORDER GRANTING *1/2*
to Introduce Curtailable Load Rider CL.) REQUEST,
) CANCELLING HEARING
) AND APPROVING
) RIDER

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of Nucor Steel (Nucor or the Company) to withdraw its request for a hearing. Nucor states that it does not wish to stand in the way of other customers reducing their rates by taking service under the proposed Curtailable Load Rider CL (the Rider), should the Commission approve it. This request is contingent on Nucor retaining rights to a full evidentiary hearing on the rider, should Nucor believe that such a hearing is necessary in the future. Nor would the approval by us today of such a Rider be a bar to such a future proceeding. CP&L has no difficulty with Nucor's request.

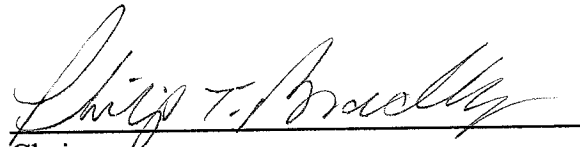
Accordingly, we grant Nucor's request to withdraw, under the terms and conditions outlined above. We also hereby cancel the hearing on the Rider that we previously ordered.

Further, we note that S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-870 (F) (Supp. 1997) allows us to put rates and tariffs into effect without notice and hearing, when such rates and tariffs do not require a determination of the entire rate structure and overall rate of return,

and in certain other circumstances. We have examined the proposed Curtailable Load Rider CL, and have determined that it does not merit a determination of CP&L's entire rate structure and overall rate of return. In addition, we have also determined that the Rider has merit, as it may result in lower rates to certain customers. We therefore approve the Rider.

CP&L shall furnish ten (10) copies of this approved Rider within ten (10) days of its receipt of this Order. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Acting Executive Director

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